

Louisiana DNR – IIJA Update

On January 17, 2023, the first orphan well was permanently abandoned utilizing initial grant funding from the IIJA.



The Bell No. 001 (SN 55575) was permanently abandoned in Caddo Pine Island by Lemoine Disaster Recovery and local contractors.

Site Restoration operations are ongoing in both the Shreveport and Monroe districts. The projects will continue through October 2023.



On January 19, 2023, representatives of the DOI visited Louisiana for the first time since the passing of the IIJA. Members of DOI, Department of Labor, Department of Labor, the Delta Regional Authority, and the DNR visited multiple orphan sites in Tullos, Louisiana, including an ongoing permanent abandonment by the Dynamic Group and other sites in the downtown area.



Additionally, members of DOI, Department of Labor, Department of Labor, DNR, a local Louisiana industry representative, the Delta Regional Authority, the Office of the Governor, and the local labor community were able to participate in panels on the IJJA and a round table on workforce development.